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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR [REDACTED] 25X1A

STATE RCI//OPERATIONS CENTER DR FRY, NMCC//ATTENTION

CIA REP, TREASURY DEPT//INFO [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

WARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS INVOLVED

ITEM NO: 1

DATE: 23 SEPTEMBER 1974

SUBJECT: BREZHNEV REPORTEDLY ILL

REF : [REDACTED] 22 SEPT 74, UNCLAS 25X1A2g

WE ASSURE THAT THE PRESS REPORT THAT BREZHNEV WAS SICK IS CORRECT. HIS LAST PUBLIC APPEARANCE WAS ON SEPTEMBER 10.

THERE IS GOOD EVIDENCE THAT BREZHNEV HAS SEVERAL CHRONIC AND POTENTIALLY SERIOUS CARDIO-VASCULAR RELATED HEALTH PROBLEMS. HE HAS HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND REPORTEDLY HAS SUFFERED AT LEAST ONE MILD STROKE. FROM TIME TO TIME HE HAS ALSO HAD FREQUENT BOUTS OF FLU.

WE SHOULD SOON KNOW WHETHER HE IS EXPERIENCING MORE THAN A MINOR INDISPOSITION. HUNGARIAN PARTY BOSS KADAR IS DUE TO VISIT MOSCOW SOMETIME BEFORE THE END OF SEPTEMBER, AND BREZHNEV IS EXPECTED TO BE ON HAND TO RECEIVE HIM. BREZHNEV IS ALSO SCHEDULED TO GO TO EAST GERMANY IN THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER FOR THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS IN BERLIN. E-2 IMPDET.H

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